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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Here it is, almost time for another show that MSNA sponsors; the Atlantic Rarities Coin Expo will be taking place on the 13th thru the 15th of June, this year. We won't have a Sunday session because it's Father's Day and our loyal dealers have told us that they'd like to spend the time with their families. So: this is an experiment

for us. We'll canvas dealers and attendees to find out how they like it. Let's remember that ANA recently decided to drop Sundays for their spring show; the National Money Show. There are pros and cons, of course, to doing this. There are some members of the club, and the public, who may not be able to attend any other day than Sunday and; out-of-town dealers like to get flights out early on Sunday. Let the MSNA board know what you think; your opinion is valuable.

While we're on the subject of the show; we'd like your input as to where we should hold the show. There's no doubt that the Baltimore Convention Center is a great venue but there are a couple of problems with it. First; it is quite expensive to hold a show there. We could lower table prices if we were elsewhere, and get more dealers. Second; we can't plan ahead for show dates. We are at the mercy of the center as to when we hold the ARCE. That being said, dealers like the central location. Not to mention but we haven't been able to come up with a suitable alternate site. Suggestions are welcome!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - continued

The board discussed the results of the planning meeting held last year and came up with a number of suggestions. We are going to re-establish a speaker's bureau to help clubs with programs. We'd like to get speakers from around the state so those speakers from Western Maryland don't have to drive to the Eastern Shore and vice versa! If you're interested in being part of this, please contact a board member. Another thing we're going to do for local clubs is to mail letters to attendees of the ARCE show. Names won't be given to local clubs but MSNA will invite attendees to contact the clubs if they're interested in attending a meeting, or joining. Further, several numismatic awards will be re-established. There will be more information coming on this soon.

Plans for the ANA World's Fair of Money (or Anniversary Convention) are beginning to take shape. This show will take place in Baltimore in 2003; so it's still a long time away - but a committee has been formed to get the ball rolling. It's a big undertaking for MSNA but we've proven that we can do a great job. The two previous shows in Baltimore were great successes. In fact, the 1993 show is thought by many to be, perhaps, the best ANA ever held. I remember how crowded the bourse floor was; how many things there were to do and the excitement in the air. We'll need your help so start thinking about volunteering some of your time next summer.

MSNA is putting together a booklet of the history of the club. It's being principally by our immediate past president, Don Curtis, with editorial help from Bob Ruby. This will make for interesting reading. Unfortunately, it hasn't yet made it from the draft stage to production, due principally to Don's being recalled to active

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - continued.

duty for the War on Terrorism. We hope to have it finished sometime after Don retires from the army in August. We all know that however much we may enjoy this hobby of ours there are things of greater importance. Thanks Don; from all of us.

Your President

Tom Palmer

SPEAKER'S BUREAU

The MSNA is preparing a speaker's bureau to supply our member clubs. We have members with expertise in many areas of the hobby and we are requesting that if you are interested in becoming involved you will let us know the titles of your presentations. If you are interested in having a speaker at one of your functions please contact us. We currently have speakers available in the following topics /titles.

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FROM YOUR EDITOR: My deepest apologies:

This issue is long overdue. Call it burnout, or whatever, but every time I would pick this up I would wind up putting it back down without doing anything. Hopefully it will get back on schedule now.

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Things that have happened in the hobby, which I think, we should note.

Steve Taylor, Past President of ANA, one time Vice resident of MSNA and well known to most of us, died on July 1, 2001. Steve was a regular attendant at our conventions and was speaker at many of our events

Frank Gasparro, former chief engraver of the U.S. Mint died on September 29, 2001.

Elvira Clain-Stefanelli, Curator of the Smithsonian Institution died on October 1, 2001.

John J. Gabarron, ANA Sergeant-At-Arms died on October 4, 2001.

Moe Weinschel, a noted collector from New York died on October 16, 2001.

Denwood Kelly, one who worked with us on several of our souvenir cards plus being one of our local collectors died on October 19, 2001. Denwood once served as President of Blue Shield of Maryland, a volunteer consultant at the Maryland Historical Society and co-authored the book "Money and Banking in Maryland".

Dave Thaxter, friend, dealer, and someone who went out of his way to furnish materials needed for our various projects and will be sorely missed died on January 31, 2002.

Each of these were people known to many of us in the hobby and who furnished us help in one way or another.

HENRY K. WESTPHAL

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Henry Westphal was one of the earliest salesmen with Farm Bureau Insurance Company in the Middle Atlantic Region. He sold the first company policies in the Annapolis region. On the Eastern Shore he mapped out a method of life sales administration which the Company used as a basis for programs well into the 1980's. He retired as a financial planner from the Nationwide insurance Co (which had taken over Farm Bureau) in 1964.

He soon found life without working to be too dull and proceeded to work in the bill room of the Maryland State Legislature for several years.

Henry was MSNA's Colonel in the tradition of the old south. Very portly, very dignified, brisk and firm of action.

He was a long time member of the Colonial Coin Club and was an officer for many of those years. He was very active in the MSNA from its beginning. When membership records were started, in April 1972, Henry was member No. 6 and when Life Memberships were established he became LM #2.

When John Henry refused another term as president it seemed only natural to us that Henry should be the second. He served during the period when we were holding our 2nd show: the first we held outside of the Baltimore area; this show was held in Salisbury. This was also the period of time when we were getting incorporated and of having our Constitution and By-Laws written and approved. He subsequently served as Editor of The Maryland Numismatist and served on many committees in many different capacities.

A severe reduction in eyesight followed by other major medical problems greatly reduced what he was able to do but he never lost interest in the association.

It was a great pleasure to have known and worked with Henry and his passing was a matter of great loss to all of us.

WELCOME TO MEMBERSHIP

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OUR MEMBER CLUBS REPORT

WESTERN MARYLAND COIN CLUB holds it's annual "Indoor' picnic at the South Cumberland Library. The club furnishes chicken, side dishes and beverages. This is the same loca- tion as their regular meetings.

They held their fall show on 10 and 11 Nov and report that both dealers and public attendance showed an in- crease.

The door prize at their annual Christmas party was a 1/10 oz gold Panda which was won by Jim Weir.

BALTIMORE COIN CLUB had as speaker in October, Dominique Kostelac who spoke on his metal detecting finds.

At the 21 Feb meeting Larry Steve presented his experiences while collecting die varieties of Indian and Flying Eagle cents. He uses the Walter Breen book as a guide on varieties.

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CATONSVILLE COIN CLUB's Joe Burford announced of his **ELONGATED COINS of MARYLAND.** It is available for \$10. The club voted to continue their current officers for another year. These are: Evan Votta - President; Joe Eiedler - Vice President; and Millard Hajek-Secretary.

The club's annual dinner meeting was held at The Wharfside Restaurant. It was amazing but there was very little "coin talk", everything else but.

In March, members of the club discussed the possibility of having a medal struck for the ANA 2003. The preliminary idea is for four clubs, Baltimore, MD TAMS, MSNA and Catonsville to go together to have the re-verse die done and for each club to utilize their existing logo design for the obverse. More later.

John Hammond displayed a set of 18 elongated coins featuring the Washington Monument.

Maryland Token and Medal Society

Is sponsoring a bus trip to the 2002 ANA Convention in New York. The bus will leave the **RESITERSTOWN ROAD BOWLING CENTER** (Route 140, Exit 20 south off I-695 for approx. one block and on your left, behind the Ramada Inn) at 6:00 AM (SHARP). Cost per person is \$45.00, for information, contact Bob Ruby at 410-239-7611 or via e-mail at bobruby@qis.net.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 9: BANC: Cromwell Bridge Road and I-695: Holiday Inn

June 13/15: Maryland State Numismatic Association: Annual Convention:
Convention Center, Baltimore

July 12-14: Eastern States Numismatic Association: Claymont, Delaware

October 27: Associated Coin Clubs: Compass Road and Martin Blvd.

November 9: Maryland State Numismatic Association: Educational Forum:
In Connection with the Suburban Washington/ Baltimore Coin Show at the
Convention Center November 7-10: Suburban Washington/ Baltimore Coin
Show at the Convention Center.

December 1: BANC: at Cromwell Bridge Road.

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March 11: Associated Coin Clubs at Compass Road. Middle River

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Ernie Turnes

When I received the dollar in change I noticed that something had been stamped on it in red and the serial number was highlighted in yellow. The stamp read "See where I've been. Please report me to www.Wheresgeorge.com" on both the back and the front. Later that day I went to the web site and learned that you can enter the serial number of a bill and track where it's been. The site states that people have stamps made referencing the web page, stamp their bills and then put them into circulation. They will sometimes put the bill's number on the web site them-selves.

When I went to the website I entered the number of the bill that I had and saw that it had not been registered. If you come across a stamped bill you can register it, put it back in circulation and check the web site from time to time to see if it gets reported again. The site shows the date and each location where the bill has been reported, the distance that it has traveled and calculates the rate of travel in miles per hour.

I brought my bill to a Baltimore Coin Club meet- ing and told this story as part of the "show and tell" segment. I was surprised when two other club members also had bills stamped with the same reference. One was on a \$5 bill and another, stamped in blue was on a \$20 bill.

If you find a stamped bill in circulation you can go to the web site and check it out.

TRYING TO PUT A PAIR TOGETHER

Ernie Turnes

Collectors of love tokens sometimes wonder about the engraved coins that they have. Some are pierced. Did the lady wear it on a chain? A piece may be pierced in more than place. Was it part of a necklace, a bracelet, or some other form of jewelry? Is a coin a single piece or one of a pair that was broken up?

Earlier this year I learned the answer to that last question in regards to one love token in my collection.

A few days before the February 7th Baltimore Coin Club meeting I took a love token from my collection to put in the BCC auction. It was a coin in a collection that I had bought and the piece had no particular significance to me. A day later I was looking at love tokens on eBay, where I sometimes bid. In the listing I saw that there was a love token with GJ en- grayed. Although those letters were not initials that I was searching for, I decided to look at the piece anyway. I was surprised to see that the coin was the same as a piece that I own: in fact, the piece that I was to put in the BCC auction.

Both coins are on similarly toned 1892 Barber dimes. The obverses of both are the same grade (AU). Each is pierced at the top, the holes being the same size. Neither has a border and both have plain back- grounds, with the engraving being as identical as hand engraving will allow. They were obviously a pair at one time.

I decided not to put my GJ in the upcoming BCC auction. I then bid on its twin on eBay. Unfortunately, I was outbid, even though I increased my maximum bid twice, to a price above what I considered its value. In the end I was unsuccessful in buying the piece. Perhaps, one day, the pieces will be reunited.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MSNA

6/17/01

The annual meeting of the membership was held on Sunday, 17 Jun 01. Present were officers Don Curtis, President; Tom Palmer, Vice President; Karl Keller, Treasurer; Bryce Doxzon, Secretary; Past Presidents Ernie Turnes, Bill Stratemeyer and Bill Ayres and members Bill Lenz, Bob Ruby, Ed Craig, Millard Hajek, Simcha Kuritzky, Walt Kitner, Frank Murphy, Don Kern and Clarence Schmitt.

The new slate of officers was inatalled; Tom Palmer - President; Ed Craig - Vice Prsident; Karl Keller - Treasurer and Bryce Doxzon - Secretary.

An outstanding service award was voted for Pete Burris.

Ernie Turnes was appointed Deputy Publicity Chairman and Frnak Murphy as YN Chairman with Charles Melchoir as Deputy YN Chair.

The position of prize chairman was abolished with the duties being assigned to each committee.

A thank you was given to Greg Ruby, our account Executive from the Convention Center, for his helpfulness during the convention.

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MSNA BOARD MEETING 11/29/01

The Board of the MSNA met on 29 Nov 01, In attendance were officers: President Tom Palmer; Vice President Ed Craig; Treasurer Karl Keller; Secretary Bryce Doxzon; Past Presidents Don Curtis, Ernie Turnes and Bill Stratemeyer and members Bill Lenz, Bill Ayres, Bob Ruby, Millard Hajek, Joe Burford, Simcha Kuritzky, Larry Goldman, Frank Murphy, Nick Kurlick and Robert Ott.

A booking problem with the Convention Center requires we reschedule our 2002 convention. New dates will be June 13 to 15 with no show date on Father's Day (June 16th); Hall A; dealer registration, outside the ballroom, from 6 to 9 pm on the 12th; Dealers on floor at 8am on the 13th; early bird dealers on floor at 9am on the 13th and the public at noon. Close at 7pm on all 3 days. The Educational Forum will be on the 15th but the speaker's dinner will be on Friday the 14th. The annual meeting will be held at 5:30pm on Saturday June 15th. Exhibit awards to be given out after the Educational Forum on Saturday at 3:30pm.

Because of Ernie Turne's retirement, and subsequent inability to pick up mail at Sparrows Point, our address will be changed after the convention.

Dave Thaxter is underwriting the cost of our raffle tickets for this show.

Millard presented, and the board accepted, sample designs for the elongated and the postal cancellation. We are to get 750 elongated cents and 20 multi coin sets.

Robert Ott is to handle public registration with the assistance of Ernie.

Minutes of September 27, 2001

The Board of the MSNA met on 27 September 2001. In Attendance were: Officers; Tom Palmer - President; Ed Craig - Vice President; Bryce Doxzon - Secretary; Karl Keller - Treasurer; Past Presidents Don Curtis, Bill Stratemeyer, Ernie Turnes and members Bill Ayres, Bill Lenz, Nick Kurlick, Jack Pryor, Walt Kitner, Gene Stumbroski, Frank Murphy, Larry Goldman, Joe Burford, Bob Ott, Will Massey and Bob Ruby.

Bill Lenz reported that the Days Inn and the Sheraton Hotel can set aside rooms for the ARCE use. He also noted that the dealer case supply and booth setup were also lined up.

Robert Ott accepted the assignment as Public Registration Chairman and Larry Goldman agreed to become Assistant Dealer Registration Chairman. Bill Stratemeyer reported that Andy Abadia is interested in working with him on the Education Program. Ernie Turnes volunteered to oversee Communications and announcements at conventions. Gene Stumbroski, with Joe Burford assisting will chair the Properties committee.

Bill Stratemeyer will arrange to have the MSNA fall seminar held in conjunction with the Surburban Washington/Baltimore Show. Will Massey is the scheduled speaker.

Walt Kitner said he could not be the exhibits chairman for the 2003 ANA convention. The board approved bids from Baltimore Coin Club and MD TAMS to be sponsoring clubs for the 2003 ANA.

The board settled on allocations of a portion of the show profits to participating member clubs as well as donations to the ANA building fund,

Continued:

the ANA's Steve Tayor Memorial Garden, the Johns Hopkins Children's Cancer Center the Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens and the Gallagher Center.

Minutes of the MSNA Board Meeting of 24 Jan 02

Attending were officers Ed Craig, Vice President; Bryce Doxzon, Secretary; Karl Keller, Treasurer; Past Presidents Bill Stratemeyer and Ernie Turnes and Board Members Bill Lenz, Bill Ayres, Jack Pryor, Bob Ruby, Ruby, Millard Hajek, Walt Kitner, Gene Stumbroski, Simcha Kuritzky, Larry Goldman, Robert Ott & Frank Murphy.

Four Life Memberships were approved: David Thaxter, David Thaxter, Jr., Paul Finck and Larry Goldman.

The January issue of the Numismatist contained an article on MSNA donations to local charities.

Bob Ruby reported the souvenir sheets have been printed.

Bill Ayres reported that our banner has been updated and will hang over Pratt Street, at Hanover. He also reported that the post office has our show cancellation.

The board voted to nominate Bill Lenz for the Walt Mason Award.

The Board of the MSNA met on 26 Mar 02.

In attendance were officers; Tom Palmer - President; Ed Craig - Vice President; Karl Keller - Treasurer; Bryce Doxzon - Secretary; Past Presidents Bill Stratemeyer and Ernie Turnes & members Bill Lenz, Bill Ayres, Millard Hajek, Walt Kitner, Simcha Kuritzky, Joe Burford, Larry Goldman and Robert Ott.

On our new contract show setup starts at 4:00 am on Thursday June 13th. Dealer registration to begin at 6:00 pm on June 12th. Forty-one paid tables are currently on hand.

Scotsman Coins is to hold an auction at our convention.

The board approved a motion whereby MSNA will provide a mailing to registrants at our show, who are in a local clubs area provided the clubs desire such service. (this mailing to the provide the registrant with information on a club that is local to them). The cost to be shared by MSNA and the local club.

Life membership was approved for Tom Palmer.

STATE NICKNAMES BY Ernie Turnes

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2	Idaho	B.	Old Dominion
3	Michigan	C.	Bay State
4	California	D.	Peace Garden State
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6	Mississippi	F.	Silver State
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8	Massachusetts	H.	Great Lakes State
9	Nevada	I.	Golden State
10	New Hampshire	J.	Magnolia State
		K.	Land of Enchantment
		L.	Garden State
		M.	Granite State

The answers are on
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This year's Atlantic Rarities Coin Expo is now history. We had the usual exciting activities and educational programs, including the YN Treasure Hunt. It is always good to have a group of YN's on hand, and ANA Governor Patty Finner helped out with this program geared toward them. And concerning the educational programs: "The 2002 Atlantic Rarities Coin Expo (ARCE) featured two hobby notables: Mr. David Pickens, Associate Director of Sales & Marketing for the US Mint, and Ms. Patricia Finner, Governor of the American Numismatic Association (ANA). The two panelists fielded topics from the audience in a question and answer format. Discussions ranged from coin availability / designs for the State Quarter program and the future of the Sacagawea Golden Dollars, to the possibility of discontinuing the cent and paper dollar. These talks, and all educational programs sponsored by MSNA, were free and open to the public." Do you recognize where this quote comes from? It's from the MSNA web site. If you haven't examined the site, go to http://www.money.org/club_msna.html



We didn't have a Sunday session this year. Response was positive, although not completely. Out-of-state dealers often want to get back home, and so they often leave at the end of Saturday. Local dealers, on the other hand, like the fact that they have the Sunday public attendees to themselves. I believe that Sunday sessions are on the way out regardless, for medium to larger-sized show. ANA's board has voted to drop Sundays for their Annual Conventions after our Baltimore World's Fair of Money in '03. This, of course, comes after the flap about dealers being fined for leaving on Sunday at this spring's Jacksonville ANA National Money Show.

Next year's show is set: the MSNA Coin show/convention for the year 2003 will be held on July 26 - 28 in the Ramada Inn at New Carrollton. Again, you can check the web site for an information sheet about the upcoming show. But, as I reported in my last President's Message, we are on the lookout for a new venue for our annual show. We now have a committee looking into new sites. It's composed of Bob Ruby, Karl Keller, Bill Ayres, Bill Lenz, Bill Stratemeyer and Bob Ott. Much as we like the Baltimore Convention Center as a location, it's a very expensive place to hold a show, not to mention a poor choice of dates. We have to take what what's given to us, and have the dates changed with very little notice - as happened this year. I personally hope we can stay in the Convention Center, but who knows?

MSNA has implemented one suggestion arising from the planning meeting held last year. Bryce Doxzon and Ernie Turnes have sent to all MSNA member clubs an offer to mail letters to attendees of the ARCE show, on their behalf. Names won't be given to local clubs,

but MSNA will invite attendees to contact the clubs if they're interested in attending a meeting or joining. I know of one club that has accepted, and one that has declined. I hope this turns out to be a valuable source of new members for our clubs.

The ANA just completed its convention in New York. It was quite a show, with a large number of attendees, educational programs, and auctions. Of course, one of those auctions featured the 1933 Double Eagle - this sold for about 7.5 million dollars, and generated a lot of press coverage. The "future conventions" booth was manned by your President and Bill Stratemeyer throughout the show, with Bryce Doxzon, Bill Lenz, Pete Burris, Bill Ayres, and others helping out on Saturday. It was a good show, but when I passed out flyers announcing our show in Baltimore next year, the dealers were unanimous in saying that they felt that next summer's show would be even better!

I'm happy to say that our former President Don Curtis is now demobilized, and will be back to helping MSNA as a civilian after being recalled to active duty for the War on Terrorism. We now hope to have our booklet on the history of the club finished sometime this fall. Welcome back, Don.

Your President,

Tom Palmer

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Ernie Turnes	A Selection of Toned Coins
Michael Mehalick	Coinage of the First Roman Tetrachs
Bryce Doxzon	The Dickey Mill Centennial Medal

Superior Award

Simcha Kuritsky	God's Name on Hebrew Love Tokens
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Master Award

Bill Stratemeyer	The Panic and Depression 1837 - 1841
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John B. Henry Best of Show Award

Millard Hajek	Old Home Week Celebration
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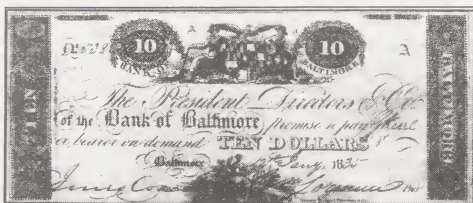
The MSNA 2002 Souvenir Sheet

The 2002 MSNA Souvenir Sheet is now available. The cost is \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00. Please make check payable to: MSNA and mail to MSNA Souvenir Sheet, P. O. Box 2, Fork, MD 21051. Previous years, 1988 thru 2001 are also available for the same price. Please add \$1.00 for postage and handling.



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- ✓ The entire issue was released in November 1916.
- ✓ In January 1940, uncirculated 1916-D Mercury dimes were advertised for \$9.50. The 16-P sold for \$.85 and San Francisco pieces for \$.60.
- ✓ *Coin World Trends* (August 26, 2002) shows a value for an MS65 full split bands at \$38,5000.
- ✓ There were only 4 reverse dies used. Two featured repunched mintmarks.
- ✓ Because it was the first year of issue, many were saved in mint state.
- ✓ As a result, mint state coins are considered scarce, not rare.
- ✓ They are nearly always well struck.
- ✓ Two means of counterfeiting are to add a D mintmark to the 1916 (Philadelphia) or to reshape the S from a 16-S to a D.
- ✓ The following chart shows *Coin World Trends* (August 26, 2002) values for 11 dimes graded VG-8. It lists the 16-D Winged Liberty Head and 10 Seated Liberty dimes with lower mintages:

<u>Year/mint</u>	<u>Mintage</u>	<u>Price</u>
1916-D	264,000	\$750.00
1868-S	260,000	21.00
1869	256,600	20.00
1886-S	206,524	42.50
1878-CC	200,000	62.50
1867-S	140,000	40.00
1870-S	50,000	275.00
1885-S	43,690	475.00
1880	37,355	175.00
1881	24,975	175.00
1873-CC	18,791	1100.00

(with arrows, of course)

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SHOWS

2002

20 Oct. **Cambridge Coin Club Show**, American Legion Hall, Route 50, West of Cambridge.

27 Oct. **Associated Coin Club**, Victory Villa Community Center, 404 Compass Road, Baltimore, MD, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

9 - 10 Nov. **Western Maryland Coin Club**, Route 40, LaVale, MD.

8 - 10 Nov. **Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention** (Berg Show), Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD

1 Dec. **BANC** - Towson Holiday Inn, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Road, Towson, MD, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

6 - 8 Dec. **Crab State Coin Show**, Ramada Inn, 8500 Annapolis Road, New Carrollton, MD. 10:00 - 7:00 & 10:00 - 4:00 (Sunday)

2003

3 - 5, Jan. **Frederick Coin, Currency & Money Expo** - Lynnfield Event Complex, 10142 Hansonville Road (off Rte 15), Frederick, MD

1 - 2 Mar. **Interstate Coin Show**, Venice Ballroom, Route 40, East of Hagerstown, MD

11 Mar. **Associated Coin Club**, Victory Villa Community Center, 404 Compass Road, Baltimore, MD, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

14 - 16 Apr. **Western Maryland Coin Club Show**, LaVale, Route 40 West of Cumberland.

2 - 4 May. **Frederick Coin, Currency & Money Expo** Lynnfield Event Complex, 10142 Hansonville Road (off Rte 15), Frederick, MD

14 - 16 Mar. **Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention** (Berg Show), Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD

26 - 28 July **Maryland State Convention & Coin Show**, Ramada Inn, 8500 Annapolis Road, New Carrollton, MD 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

30 July - 3 Aug. **ANA WORLDS FAIR OF MONEY**, Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 10 AM to 7:00 PM.

It happened at the MSNA Show

Ernie Turnes

The following describes a few things that happened at the June Maryland State Numismatic Association coin show. Each involves one of my collecting interests- engraved coins.

I bought an 1878 \$2 ½ gold love token inscribed *John Lyle Harris*. When I showed it to Walt Kitner, told me that John Harris was the founder of Harrisburg, PA, but he didn't know his middle name. I entered "John Lyle Harris" on Yahoo but got no hits. Any suggestions as to how I can learn who John Lyle Harris was? (My email address is eturnes@juno.com.)

A WMAR TV reporter/cameraman came to the MSNA show and I took him around and explained what was going on. Someone mentioned love tokens to him and he took a real interest. The only one that I could immediately locate was the \$2 ½ piece that my wife always wears. He asked both of us questions about love tokens while filming. Unfortunately, nothing about the show was aired.

I was awarded a 2002 Silver Eagle for exhibiting at the show. Expecting our first grandchild in July, I plan to have it engraved with the baby's name and birth date in the field. (Does anyone know an engraver?)

At the show I talked with a dealer about love tokens. In the conversation he mentioned that he once had a love token engraved *The first dollar I earned*. I told him I have such a piece in my collection, although I don't know if it's the same piece. Mine also has the initials *BWW*.

SENIORS LEARN ABOUT NUMISMATICS

Ernie Turnes

On July 9 Karl Keller and I visited the Edgemere Senior Center to talk about coin collecting. Karl had prepared an agenda but wasn't really sure what the audience wanted to learn. When he asked them, the responses centered primarily on how to learn a coin's value and how to sell—as several people had coins but didn't know their worth or how to best dispose of them.

The discussion covered a wide range of topics, including state quarters, mints and minting, obsolete denominations, paper money, exonumia, literature, grading and selling. The discussion, questions and answers, giveaways (wooden nickels, elongates, literature, etc) and issuing door prizes took about an hour, and all seemed interested.

One of the surprises of the visit was that the great majority of the 19 in attendance were ladies. It was a nice event.

TRYING TO PUT A PAIR TOGETHER

Ernie Turnes

Collectors of love tokens sometimes wonder about the engraved coins that they have. Some are pierced. Did the lady wear it on a chain? A piece may be pierced in more than place. Was it part of a necklace, a bracelet, or some other form of jewelry? Is a coin a single piece or one of a pair that was broken up?

Earlier this year I learned the answer to that last question in regards to one love token in my collection.

A few days before the February 7th Baltimore Coin Club meeting I took a love token from my collection to put in the BCC auction. It was a coin in a collection that I had bought and the piece had no particular significance to me. A day later I was looking at love tokens on eBay, where I sometimes bid. In the listing I saw that there was a love token with GJ en- grayed. Although those letters were not initials that I was searching for, I decided to look at the piece anyway. I was surprised to see that the coin was the same as a piece that I own: in fact, the piece that I was to put in the BCC auction.

Both coins are on similarly toned 1892 Barber dimes. The obverses of both are the same grade (AU). Each is pierced at the top, the holes being the same size. Neither has a border and both have plain back- grounds, with the engraving being as identical as hand engraving will allow. They were obviously a pair at one time.

I decided not to put my GJ in the upcoming BCC auction. I then bid on its twin on eBay. Unfortunately, I was outbid, even though I increased my maximum bid twice, to a price above what I considered its value. In the end I was unsuccessful in buying the piece.

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Israel Hanuhka Coins

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The Lion on Israel's Money and Medals

Holocaust Numismatics

Hebrew Amulets

Revolutions of 1848

Hindu Religious Medals

With summer now ending, time for all of us to get active in the hobby.

Welcome Back.

Bill and Bob

The following article is courtesy of **FUN TOPICS**, official publication of the **FLORDIA UNITED NUMISMATISTS, Inc.** Jim Best, Editor.



DID YOU KNOW THIS?

Take out a one-dollar bill and look at it. The one-dollar bill you're looking at first came off the presses in 1957 in its present design.

This so-called paper money is in fact a cotton and linen blend, with red and blue minute silk fibers running through it. It is actually material. We've all washed it without it falling apart. A special blend of ink is used, the contents we will never know. It is overprinted with symbols and then it is starched to make it water resistant and pressed to give it that nice crisp look.

If you look on the front of the bill, you will see the United States Treasury Seal. On the top you will see the scales for the balance i.e., a balanced budget. In the center you have a carpenter's square, a tool used for an even cut. Underneath is the Key to the United States Treasury. That's all pretty easy to figure out, but what is on the back of that dollar bill is something we all know.

If you turn the bill over, you will see two circles. Both circles, together, comprise the Great Seal of the United States. The First continental Congress requested that Benjamin Franklin and a group of men come up with a Seal. It took them four years to accomplish this task and another two years to get it approved. If you look at the left-hand circle, you will see a Pyramid. Notice the face is lightened and the western side is dark. This country was just beginning. We had not begun to explore the West or decided what we could do or Western Civilization. The Pyramid is uncapped, again signifying that we were not even close to being finished. Inside the capstone you have the all-seeing eye, an ancient symbol for divinity. It was Franklin's belief that one man couldn't do it alone, but a group of men, with the help of God, could do anything.

"IN GOD WE TRUST" is on this currency. The Latin above the pyramid, **ANNUIT COEPTIS**, means, "God has favored our undertaking." The Latin below the pyramid, **NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM**, means, "a new order has begun." At the base of the pyramid is the Roman Numeral

for 1776. If you look at the right-hand circle, and check it carefully, you will learn that it is on every National Cemetery in the United States. It is also on the Parade of Flags Walkway at the Bushnell, Florida National Cemetery and is the centerpiece of most heroes' monuments.

Slightly modified, it is the seal of the President of the United States and it is always visible when he speaks, yet no one knows what the symbols mean. The Bald Eagle was selected as a symbol for victory for two reasons: first, he is not afraid of a storm; he is strong and he is smart enough to soar above it. Secondly, he wears no material crown. We had just broken from the King of England. Also, notice the shield is unsupported. This country can now stand on its own. At the top of that shield you have a white bar signifying congress, a unifying factor. We were coming together as one nation. In the Eagle's beak you will read "E PLURIBUS UNUM," meaning "one nation from many people".

Above the Eagle you have thirteen stars representing the thirteen original colonies, and any clouds of misunderstanding roll away. Again, we were coming together as one. Notice what the Eagle holds in his talons. He holds an olive branch and arrows. This country wants peace, but we will never be afraid to fight to preserve peace. The Eagle always wants to face the olive branch, but in the time of war, his gaze turns towards the arrows. They say that the number 13 is an unlucky number. This is almost a worldwide belief. You will usually never see a room numbered 13, or any hotels or motels with a 13th floor. But, think about this: 13 original colonies, 13 stripes on our flag, 13 steps on the Pyramid, 13 letters in the Latin above, 13 letters in "E PLURIBUS UNUM", 13 stars above the Eagle, 13 plumes of feathers on each span of the Eagle's wing, 13 bars on the shield, 13 leaves on the olive branch, 13 fruits, and if you look closely, 13 arrows. And minorities: the 13th Amendment.

Pass this on. Your children don't know this. Their history teachers don't know this. Too many veterans have given up too much too ever let the meaning fade. Many veterans remember coming home to an America that didn't care. Too many veterans never came home at all. Tell everyone what is on the back of the one-dollar bill and what it stands for.

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IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW...

Ernie Turnes

The following facts about commemorative coins were taken from the 2001 "Red Book":

- ✓ The Alabama Centennial commemorative was the first instance of the use of a living person's portrait on a U.S. coin. That person was T.E. Kilby, the Governor when the coin was released.
- ✓ A beaver gnawing on a maple branch is on the obverse of the Albany, New York Charter commemorative.
- ✓ Daniel Boone is on the obverse and reverse of the Daniel Boone Bicentennial piece.
- ✓ Although the head of Stephen Foster, "America's Troubadour", dominates the obverse of the Cincinnati Music Center commemorative, the anniversary celebrated bears no relation to him.
- ✓ Stars on the Cleveland Great Lakes Exposition coin mark nine Great Lakes cities. The obverse features a bust of Moses Cleaveland (yes, his name has two a's).
- ✓ The Delaware Tercentenary commemorative marks the 300th anniversary of the Swedes landing in Delaware.
- ✓ The Hawaiian Sesquicentennial commemoratives were distributed in 1928 and sold for \$2.00 each, the highest initial sale price up to that time.
- ✓ The Lynchburg, VA Sesquicentennial commem bears a portrait of Senator Carter Glass, a native of Lynchburg and former Secretary of the Treasury. He objected to the idea of using portraits of living men on coins. (He was alive when the coin was issued.)
- ✓ The motion picture industry promoted the Monroe Doctrine Centennial in conjunction with a motion picture exposition in June 1923.
- ✓ The Old Spanish Trail coin commemorated the 400th anniversary of the overland trek of the Cabeza de Vaca Expedition through the Gulf States in 1535.
- ✓ The sale of the McKinley Memorial Gold Dollars aided in paying for a memorial building at Niles, Ohio, the martyred president's birthplace.

CLUB NEWS

Maryland Token & Medal Society announces the availability of the Encased quarters of the 13 Original Colonies. The encased quarters are \$40.00 per set and \$5.00 for postage and handling. MD TAMS is also in process of making a set of elongated quarters. Over a ten-year period they will elongate all 50 state quarters. These quarters were sold on a per order basis and are completely sold out. Elongated collectors may be lucky to find a set or two on the secondary market. The next meeting of MD TAMS will be at the Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention (Berg Show), at the Baltimore Convention Center on Saturday, November 9, 2002 at 11:00 AM. Room to be announced.

Western Maryland Coin Club held their annual picnic at the Constitution Park in Cumberland, MD on August 13. Bill Waltman won the door prize, consisting of a Silver Eagle. Also George Waingold donated several hundred wooden nickels for the club to use as they see fit.

Carroll County Coin Club held their annual picnic on Monday, August 26 at the home of Dominic and Jayne Dattilio in Westminster, MD.

John Hammon of the Catonsville Coin Club now is recuperating from triple by-pass surgery.

Middle River Coin Club has announced that it has strong attendance during the summer, with 36 members and guest attending one of the July meetings.

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Change of MSNA Address

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Plans are coming along nicely for next year's MSNA coin show/convention. The show will be held on July 26 - 28 in the Ramada Inn at New Carrollton. Paul Singleton is our Bourse Chairman for next year, and reports that we are near a sellout on tables already. Paul is trying a different layout for our show from the one he's previously used for his Crab State Coin Show in that location. It turns out that



we've had a high demand for corner tables, so the floor has been modified to provide extra corners. We can't fit in as many tables at the Ramada as we can in the Baltimore Convention Center, but our costs should be lower in New Carrollton.

2003 aside, we are still on the lookout for a new venue for our annual show for 2004 and beyond. The Convention Center is a favorite with dealers – and who can blame them, with the Inner Harbor and a number of different hotels nearby. It's too bad that we, as a local organization, don't get a financial break on hall rental. The Center actually prefers out-of-state organizations, because they sell more hotel rooms. Even the Suburban Washington/Baltimore show doesn't have much leverage on dates. It takes an organization as large as ANA to guarantee enough rooms to get the Center and the Visitor's Bureau excited!

I reported in my last message that MSNA had a committee looking into new sites. The committee reported back on a facility in Hagerstown, but that center unfortunately won't serve our needs. It might work for a one-day show, but there aren't enough hotels/motels nearby to accommodate our dealers. So, we're back to square one. We have talked about doing a shorter show (perhaps a two-day affair) or a smaller show. Again, suggestions are welcome! E-mail me at tpalmer@sysplan.com

Another club has taken MSNA up on the offer to mail letters to attendees of our show. Just to remind you, the letter invites attendees to contact a local club if they're interested in attending a meeting or joining. The letter is targeted to the zip codes near the requesting local club. MSNA and the club split expenses, and we can send out as many or as few letters as the local club wishes. Ask your local club officials about this service!

As we all know, next year the ANA will hold its show in Baltimore. We've had several meetings with Brenda Bishop, ANA's Convention Coordinator, including one during the recent Suburban show. A number of interesting things have come up so far:

- MSNA will produce 5,000 medals, to be given away to attendees at the ANA. These will probably be given out 1,000 per day over the course of the show. ANA will provide half

the cost, for which we are deeply grateful. We'll also have some medals made up with special finishes, such as silver or copper, to be given to people such as speakers and exhibitors. We'll also sell a full set of these with all types of finishes included. Currently, our plan is to use Don Curtis' Ft. McHenry/Star Spangled Banner design. Don developed this design for the Maryland State Quarter, but it wasn't selected (although I personally believe it should have been!). We're talking with the Mint to see if we can use their finalized design on the medal. The other side of the medal will feature the ANA logo. Details are still being worked out, but it should be a great souvenir and collectable.

- We are going to provide polo/golf-type shirts to our volunteers for public registration. Since ANA hires temps to do the actual registration, our role will be to greet people and direct them through the process of registration. This will help show attendees to recognize people who can help them – this is the same reason the Board of Directors wears red coats at our show.

Here is the committee for ANA '03:

- General Chairman: Tom Palmer
- Assistant General Chairman: Don Curtis
- Registration Chairman: Bill Stratemeyer
(Deputy, Walt Kitner)
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(Deputy, Bob Ruby)

Please feel free to contact anyone here directly, or just e-mail me at tpalmer@sysplan.com, and I'll put you in touch. We now hope to have our booklet on the history of the club finished sometime after the ANA '03 show. This is a significant event in the history of our club, so we want to have the details included. By the way, the *Maryland Numismatist* is your magazine. I encourage you to write a short article (or a long one, if you like) on some numismatic subject near and dear to your heart. If you collect something, chances are that someone else does too.

Your President,

Tom Palmer

Highlight's From the Sept. 26th Meeting

The MSNA board met on September 26th at 7:30 PM. Present were President Tom Palmer; Vice President Ed Craig; Treasurer Karl Keller; Secretary Bryce Doxzon; Don Curtis; Bill Ayres; Bill Lenz; Bob Ruby; Millard Hajek; Walt Kitner; Frank Murphy; Simcha Kuritzky; Robert Ott; Joe Burford; Larry Goldman and Nick Kurlick.

A review of the 2002 Convention showed a monetary loss on the show. Slightly over 800 patrons registered at the show. Bill Stratemeyer reported that 24 people turned out at the education forum to hear Patti Finner (ANA Governor) and David Pickens (Associate Director of Sales and Marketing at the US Mint).

Due to the amount of money lost on the show, the board voted not to send money to our local clubs, but to continue to support to our selected charities.

Karl Keller presented the past presidents pocket badges to those in attendance. Ernie Turnes stepped down as YN Chairman and Frank Murphy accepted the position of Scouting Chairman.

The facility at Lynfield, north of Frederick was investigated and the conclusion was that this location was not suitable/adequate for our convention at this time.

Gordon Berg has filed a letter of intent to hold a July 2004 with the Baltimore Convention Center was noted.

Tom Palmer reported a near sellout of bourse space for the MSNA 2003 Convention at the Ramada Hotel in New Carrollton. The board voted to hold our general meeting at the 2003 show, but no other special features (exhibits, YN Program or club meetings, etc).

The issue of mailing for local clubs was revisited. MSNA and the club would split only the costs of postage for such mailings. It was approved to purchase 300 lapel pins. Bob Ruby brought in new stationary and envelopes containing the new MSNA address.

Bob Ruby was designated as the new editor of the Maryland Numismatist.

***HAPPY HOLIDAY'S AND A
SAFE NEW YEAR TO ALL***

Name That Coin

Test Your Numismatic Knowledge

Here are clues about five different American coins, some rare, some not so rare. How many can you identify? The **FIRST** correct response will receive a **2003 Silver Eagle**. Courtesy of **Lester White, White's Emporium**, Westminster, MD. Send your answers to MSNA Journal Editor, R. W. Ruby, P. O. Box 174, Upperco, MD 21155-0174. Answers will appear in next journal.

1. This 20th Century coin was minted to the extent of only 52,000 pieces. The designer was Adolph A. Weinman. The first year of its design, it was largely overlooked by numismatists at the time of issue, although Philadelphia dealer Henry Chapman, for one, had a modest stock of them.
 - a. 1916-D Mercury dime.
 - b. 1913-S Type II Buffalo nickel.
 - c. 1916 Standing Liberty quarter.
 - d. 1921 Liberty Walking half dollar.
2. The motif of all of these items except one included the portrait of the same historical person. Which one did NOT?
 - a. 1932 quarter dollar
 - b. 1900 Lafayette dollar.
 - c. 1983 Olympic commemorative dollar.
 - d. World War II \$1 with HAWAII overprint.
3. Regarding Carson City Mint coinage, which one of the following coins is not considered to be a rarity?
 - a. 1876-CC quarter dollar.
 - b. 1876-CC twenty-cent piece.
 - c. 1870-CC \$10 gold.
 - d. 1873-CC Liberty Seated dollar.
4. In the 19th century, when coin collecting was just beginning to become popular, one of the most publicized American coin rarities was featured in advertisements and news items. For a long time, Ebenezer Locke Mason, Jr., stated that he would pay \$25 for a nice one. Which coin is it?
 - a. 1794 silver dollar.
 - b. 1805/4 overdate half dollar.
 - c. 1802 half dime.
 - d. 1799 copper cent.
5. In Mint State, which one of the following Liberty Head nickels is particularly hard to find?
 - a. 1883 without CENTS.
 - b. 1885.
 - c. 1912-S
 - d. 1905.

MSNA OFFERS LITERARY AWARD

At its March 2002 meeting, the MSNA Board approved an award to encourage Maryland State Numismatic Association members to submit articles to *The Maryland Numismatist*, the Association's quarterly journal.

The MSNA Literary Award will be presented to the writer of the best article published in an issue of the journal in the year ending with the annual MSNA Convention and Coin Show. The winning article:

- should be educational or informative of some aspect of the hobby, clubs or members of the Association, the Association itself, or other matters relevant to numismatics;
- may or may not include art work (sketches, photos, etc.);
- must be written by a member of MSNA who is in good standing;
- will be judged by a panel of three MSNA members, none of whom had articles published in the year being reviewed; and
- will be announced at the annual MSNA Convention and Coin Show.

The MSNA Literary Award will consist of a \$50 gift certificate that can be used at the annual MSNA Convention and Coin Show. The judging panel may elect to present up to two awards each year or to not make an award, based on articles published.

Anyone wishing to submit articles to *The Maryland Numismatist* may send them to the editor's address shown in this issue.

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FROM THE RED BOOK

Ernie Turnes

Some of the facts below are well known to some collectors. Hopefully, each reader will learn **something**, even if that information is considered insignificant (useless).

- The motto IN GOD WE TRUST appeared for the first time on a US coin in 1864 with the introduction of the 2 cent piece. The small motto variety for that year is scarce.
- The half-dime was authorized by the Act of April 2, 1792, but not produced until February 1795. The first issue was dated 1794.
- Patterns for the four-dollar gold coins (Stellas) were made in gold, aluminum, copper and white metal. There are two distinct types: the Flowing Hair, designed by Charles E. Barber, and the Coiled Hair, designed by George T. Morgan.
- Cents and half cents were the first coins struck under the authority of the United States government. Large cents were coined every year from 1793 to 1857 with the exception of 1815, when a lack of copper prevented production.
- Only proof Shield type nickels were struck in 1877 and 1878.
- Both cent types produced in 1909 in San Francisco were relatively low mintage-- only 309,000 Indians, 1,825,000 S Lincoln's and 484,000 SVDB Lincoln's.
- The 25-cent piece was authorized in 1792, though not made until 1796. The value (25c) was added to the coin's design in 1804--on the reverse.
- For some unexplained reason, a few experimental large cent pieces were made dated 1868, 11 years after large cents were last produced.
- The twenty-cent pieces were made with a plain edge.
- The 1793 half cent features Ms. Liberty facing left and TWO HUNDRED FOR A DOLLAR along the edge. She faced right the next year. The next time Liberty looked left again was in 1809.
- Some 1860 dimes feature our nation's identity on the reverse and some on the obverse. The legend was inadvertently omitted on an 1859 pattern when the switch from reverse to obverse was being planned.
- The first small cent, the 1856 Eagle, was a pattern--made to show Congress how the nickel cent would look. Mintage is estimated at between 1,000 and 2,000 pieces.
- Matte proof Indian Head five-cent coins were made for collectors from 1913 to 1917.
- After 1796, quarters were not minted again until 1804.
- Beginning in 1925, Ms. Liberty's pedestal on the quarter dollar was recessed so the date would not wear off so easily.
- Some 1809 half-dollars feature xxxx between words on the edge and some feature IIIII between the words.

FROM THE RED BOOK - (Cont.)

- Barber half dollars were produced at four mints.
- The motto IN GOD WE TRUST was added to the reverse of the silver dollar in 1866.
- The Indian Head cent (1859-1909) is a representation of Liberty wearing an Indian headdress. The 1859 issue features a laurel wreath reverse.
- In 1866 the motto IN GOD WE TRUST was added to the quarter, on the reverse above the eagle.

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From The Editor

To all members and member clubs, starting with the first journal of 2003, we are going to be using a new journal format and will be published on a scheduled basis along with the new advertising rate schedule, which may be found on the inside of the back cover. For our current advertisers, you will be getting a request for some new copy. Most of the ads are several years old and you may wish to update them. As for the clubs, please send me information on your upcoming shows or events that are open to the public. Shows will be put in the "Schedule of Future Shows" other items of interest will be published under the "Club News Section", at no charge to the member club. Please don't assume that I know about your function. Please send all copy for the journal to: MSNA Editor - Bob Ruby, P. O. Box 174, Upperco, MD 21155-0174 or send via E-Mail to: bobruby@qis.net

CLUB NEWS

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I received this info from the MD TAMS web site, as an E-Mail addressed to me. Bob Ruby, MD TAMS Treasurer.

A TV channel for coin collectors is now available on the internet. Please send information about your club or organization and they will list your information to the web site (for FREE). They will also broadcast it during their daily news program at 4:00 PM EST. Take a look and let them know if you would like to swap links with them. Contact David Lisot at 1-877-COINTV1 (1-877-264-6881) or E-Mail Dlisot@Cointelevision.com You can also visit their web site COINTELEVISION.COM

Colonial Coin Club held their annual picnic at the Retelle Center, Naval Station in Annapolis on 23 September. Shrimp, hot dogs and burgers, etc. were on the menu. Door prizes were given to all in attendance and a 50/50 raffle was also held. For show info, please see the **SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SHOWS**.

At the October meeting of the **Bowie Coin Club**, Cliff Mishler, former President of Krause Publications gave a talk on his fifty years in numismatics. He, along with Chet Krause, former owner of Krause Publications (who was unable to make this trip) have been touring the country all year speaking to clubs and organizations about their 50 years at Krause Publications. Cliff stated that this club meeting was the largest crowd of the year at his talks. 63 members were in attendance. Cliff also gave 1952 elongated nickels to all in attendance. One lucky club member was presented a beautiful holder containing 4 sterling medals depicting events at Krause Publications. To crown the set, a gem proof 1952 Franklin Half was added. 1952 was the year Cliff started with Krause. The club awarded Cliff with Honorary Life Member #-5. The club wishes to thank both Chet and Cliff for their continued involvement in numismatics and with their 50th Anniversary celebration.

The **American Numismatic Association (ANA)** recently received as an anonymous donation two series of rare U. S. Military Payment Certificates that were printed for use in Korea and Vietnam. They received four notes from each Series 691 and 701. Both series were printed by the BEP, 691 for use in Korea in 1969 and 701 for use in Vietnam in 1970. Neither series were issued for circulation and they were ordered to be destroyed in the 1990's. Both series contained the same denominations, \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 notes. The anonymous donation arrived at the ANA in a plain white envelope with no return address. This info was received in a press release from Stephen Bobbit.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

*From all of the
MSNA Officers
and
Board Members*



The American Coin Club and the Beverly Hills Coin Club to Co-publish New Comprehensive Book: "Modern U.S. Coin Values"

1933 Washington Quarters & 1959 Wheat Cent reported with other new finds!

In their efforts to promote the hobby of numismatics to the general public, the members of the ACC/BHCC have been busy compiling and editing a new book entitled "Modern U.S. Coin Values". Their new guidebook details many varieties of coins that people may be able to search for in circulation, flea markets or in coin junk boxes. The book cautions beginners that it is "rare to find extremely valuable coins in circulation, but the experience of searching can be both fun and rewarding". It goes on to note that "the chances of finding coins of considerable value are far greater than winning the lottery" and "that thousands of such coins are found every year by seekers in the know".

With the assistance of dozens of numismatist throughout the country, the ACC/BHCC has formed a Review Committee to compile pricing, mintage and population data pertaining to most modern U.S. coin issues, from 1932 to date. Thus far, members have gathered and confirmed some ground-breaking news pertaining to some scarcely-known varieties, such as a 1959 Wheat Cent substantiated by a Federal Marshall, five 1933 Washington Quarters confirmed by three professional numismatist, and the verification of several 1976-D Eisenhower dollars struck in silver, just to name a few. Although the book details mostly issues from 1932 to date, it features many varieties not found in any other current pricing guide. It also includes up-to-date evaluations of all earlier U.S. type coins, based not only on dealer feedback, but also collector's feedback at shows, auction houses and on the Internet. "One of the best features of the book, is that it gives estimated values in an unprecedented number of grade categories, 35 in total, including all mint state grades from MS 60 to MS 70. Sometimes nearly perfect coins can be had at the bank or even in circulation", Mr. Carter notes.

The ACC/BHCC is currently asking all readers for help in this project. ACC/BHCC needs feedback about any and all modern varieties that collectors might be familiar with, regardless of rarity or value, along with estimated values in as many grades possible. Pictures are very much needed also, and could be e-mailed to them at bookproject@bhcoinclub.org or sent to their street address found at www.BHcoinclub.org. Such information should be sent for review by December 10th, 2002 for the 2003 edition. Those who submit feedback contributions that can be used by the club's Review Committee will be listed on the panel of contributors in the book.

The cover price of the new 2003 edition of "Modern U.S. Coin Values" is only \$10 postpaid. Adult collectors can obtain copies and help support the project by sending any offering of \$10 or more for each copy in the form of cash, check or any coin book or any coin with a value of \$10 or more. The cover features beautiful pictures of coins along with an American flag. This year's release date is December 1st, just in time for the Holiday season. Membership in the ACC/BHCC is only \$18 per year and just \$12 for collectors under 18. The book is being given free of charge to all young numismatist under the age of 18 who send a copy of their student ID and is offered free of charge to over 35,000 schools and public Libraries. "Children are truly the future of our hobby and we plan to spend a lot of money to support their knowledge in any way we can", said David Carter, Chairperson of the Review Committee. There are many member benefits including a free classified advertising, a surprise package of old coins donated by members, Library-by-mail and a free subscription to Rare Coin Magazine, their official publication. The Beverly Hills Coin Club's address is BHCC, 9899 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite #151, Beverly Hills, CA 90212 or they can be contacted at info@BHcoinclub.org

The Turnes Family thanks the many numismatic clubs and club members for their comforting wishes upon the death of my mother. Your prayers, cards, attendance at her service, and contributions to cancer research are much appreciated. - Ernie Turnes

ANA Visits Baltimore

Brenda Bishop (Convention Manager) visited the Baltimore Coin and Currency Convention on November 8 - 12. While Brenda was in town, she met with the three local host clubs: Maryland State Numismatic Association, The Baltimore Coin Club and the Maryland Token and Medal Society. Brenda also gave an outstanding educational program, for which she was presented a gift of appreciation from MSNA.

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Money Talks: THE ISABELLA QUARTER IS APPROVED

By Bill Jones

Many of us are familiar only with what we've seen of the women's movement over the past 25 years, but its roots go back well before that. In fact, one of the first U.S. commemorative coins was authorized at the urging of one of the early leaders of the women's movement—Susan B. Anthony.

Susan B. Anthony was president of the American Woman's Suffrage Association. When she heard there would be a World's Fair in Chicago as part of the 400th anniversary of Columbus's voyage—she went to Washington to represent women's interests. Anthony felt that women had been shortchanged at the 1876 Exposition that celebrated America's centennial. She urged members of Congress, through their wives, to sponsor a "Board of Lady Managers" and a "Board of Gentlemen Managers." As a result, the Chicago World's Fair featured many exhibits dedicated to women, and a building that was designed by a woman architect. Chicago socialite Mrs. Potter Palmer was president of the Lady Managers. She had a novel suggestion . . . she asked Congress to pay a \$10,000 stipend it had appropriated to the Lady Managers in commemorative quarters. The Lady Managers planned to sell coins to collectors and other visitors to the fair at a premium over their face value. The quarters featured a portrait of the Spanish Queen Isabella—who sponsored Columbus' voyage, along with her husband, King Ferdinand. The back of the coin featured a kneeling woman with a distaff and spindle, symbolic of women's industry. Although today's woman might be insulted by this symbolism, the design reflected the role of women in late 19th century America. At first, the Lady Managers sold the quarters for a dollar each—but later, as sales began to slow, the coins were sold for as little as 35 cents. Overall, about 24,000 of the 40,000 quarters were sold, and the remaining pieces were returned to the Mint and melted.

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To Right: Mrs. Shirley Howard of the Children's Cancer Fund.



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OF NICKELS, DIMES AND HALF DIMES

(Most information found in the Red Book)

Ernie Turnes

- ❖ The 1867 Shield nickels features two varieties, with and without rays. There was no further change in the type until it was replaced by the Liberty Head device in 1883.
- ❖ Only proof pieces of the Shield nickel were struck in 1877 and 1878.
- ❖ The lowest mintage of the V nickel (other than 1913) was the 1912-S (238,000). The greatest number minted was 39,559,372 in 1911.
- ❖ Buffalo nickels are among the few coins commonly referred to by the device on the reverse instead of the obverse. A total of 5959 matte proofs were made for collectors from 1913 to 1916.
- ❖ In competition involving 390 artists, Felix Schlag won a \$1000 award for his design of the Jefferson nickel.
- ❖ Authorized in April 1792, half dimes were not coined until February 1795, although dated 1794. The net weight was reduced in 1837 and 1853.
- ❖ During 1859 and 1860 interesting half dime patterns were made which do not bear our nation's identity. These are transitional pieces, not made for circulation, but struck at the time the inscription UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was being transferred from the reverse to the obverse.
- ❖ The designs of the dimes, first coined in 1796, follow closely those of the half dimes up through the Liberty Seated type. The dimes in each instance weigh twice as much as the half dimes.
- ❖ Designed by Charles E. Barber, the Liberty Head dime (1892-1916) features the initial **B** at the truncation of Liberty's neck.
- ❖ Other than the 1894-S, the lowest mintage Barber dime was the 1913-S (510,000).
- ❖ There were no dimes minted
 - in San Francisco in 1921, 1934
 - in Denver in 1923, 1930
 - at any US mint in 1932, 1933.
- ❖ The *2 over 1* in the 1942 dime minted in Denver is more difficult to spot than the one minted in Philadelphia.
- ❖ The lowest regular mintage of the Roosevelt dime was 12,828,381 in 1955 at Philadelphia. That figure is larger than all of the dimes coined from 1796 to 1837.

SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SHOWS

2003

3 - 5, Jan. - **Frederick Coin, Currency & Money Expo** - Lynnfield Event Complex, 10142 Hansonville Road (off Rte 15), Frederick, MD

Feb. 1 - **BANC** (Sat.) - Towson Holiday Inn, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Road, Towson, MD (Exit 29 South off I-695) 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

9 Feb. - **Salisbury Coin Club Show**, Wicomico Civic Center, 500 Glenn Avenue, Salisbury, MD. Free admission.

9 Mar. - **Associated Coin Club**. Victory Villa Community Center, 404 Compass Road, Baltimore, MD, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

14 - 16 Mar. - **Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention** (Berg Show), Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD

29 - 30 Mar. - **Western Maryland Coin Club Show**, 439 National Highway, LaVale, MD (West of Cumberland)

12 Apr - **Colonial Coin Club**, West Annapolis Fire Dept., 121 Jennifer Road, Annapolis, MD. Free Admission.

2 - 4 May - **Frederick Coin, Currency & Money Expo** Lynnfield Event Complex, 10142 Hansonville Road (off Rte 15), Frederick, MD

June 1 - **BANC** (Sun.) - Towson Holiday Inn, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Road, Towson, MD (Exit 29 South off I-695) 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

26 - 28 July - **Maryland State Convention & Coin Show**, Ramada Inn, 8500 Annapolis Road, New Carrollton, MD 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Free Admission.

30 July - 3 Aug. - **ANA WORLDS FAIR OF MONEY**, Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 10 AM to 7:00 PM. Free Admission.

October 19 - **BANC** (Sun.) - Towson Holiday Inn, 1100 Cromwell Bridge Road, Towson, MD (Exit 29 South off I-695) 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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